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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: ROTHROCK INTERNATIONAL AND

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REF: (A) PORT OF SPAIN OM DATED JULY 28, 1976

--- (B) PORT OF SPAIN 944, APRIL 28, 1975

1. MAJOR PROJECTS DIVISION USDOC HAS BEEN WORKING WITH ROTHROCK INTERNATIONAL FOR ALMOST A YEAR. FIRM OFTEN FOLLOWS UP ON LEADS WHICH IT OBTAINS EITHER FROM THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT BANKS OR FROM COMMERCE BY COMMUNICATING WITH EMBASSIES FOR ADDITIONAL INFO ON CERTAIN PROJECTS. THAT IS WHAT THEY WERE ATTEMPTING TO DO WITH

THEIR JUNE 29 LETTER, WHICH COULD HAVE BEEN PHRASED MORE DIRECTLY SO AS NOT TO INFER THAT THEY WISHED TO BE ON A MAILING LIST FOR FUTURE PROJECTS.

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2. SINCE WE RECEIVED REFTTEL (B) (SO LONG AGO), WE ASSUME

ALL OF THE WORK ON THESE PROJECTS MAY HAVE BEEN CONTRACTED BUT MEPD WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY CHECKING AND PROVIDING A STATUS REPORT ESPECIALLY ON THE LAST ELEMENTS OF THE PROJECT SUCH AS CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATION.

COMMERCE HAS RECEIVED NO FURTHER WORD ON THIS PROJECT SO CAN NOT BE OF DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO ROTHROCK AND THE FIRM HAS ALREADY ATTEMPTED TO GET FURTHER INFO FROM THE IDB. IF EMBASSY DOES NOT WISH TO COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH FIRMS WHEN IT RECEIVES INQUIRIES OF THIS NATURE, MEPD WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE RECEIVING THE REQUESTED INFORMATION IN A CABLE INSTRUCTING MEPD TO PASS IT ON TO THE FIRM MAKING THE REQUEST. THESE FIRMS OFTEN MUST GO TO THE EMBASSY FOR THIS TYPE OF INFORMATION BECAUSE THE IDB OR

IBRD OFTEN STATES THAT THIS IS THE METHOD IT PREFERENCES.

3. MEPD HAS ALSO PUT ROTHROCK INTERNATIONAL IN TOUCH WITH THE SPECIAL ACTIVITIES DIVISION AS SUGGESTED IN REFERENCE A. ROBINSON

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